

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 2, replace the paragraph beginning on line 7 with the following amended paragraph:

--US-A-5 637 217 describes a centrifuge for separating particles from a circulating liquid ~~and has features of the type which are disclosed in the preamble to claim 1.~~ The through openings through the disc elements in this centrifuge are, however, not made to simplify the mounting of the disc element and the tensioning bars.--